

# J. Merrill Bushnell, Provo Industrialist Retires



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Tonight, while top corporate executives honor him, a farm boy from Meadow, Utah who escalated to the upper echelons of executive industrial management will retire.

After 35 years with the company, J. Merrill Bushnell, the oldest son of Melba S. and the late Daniel D. Bushnell will leave his post as vice president and general manager of Pacific States Cast Iron Pipe Company of Provo.

A retirement party at the plant is slated tonight honoring Bushnell.

Among those attending are fellow employees, family, friends and corporate officers J.R. McWane, chairman of the board; Mr. J.J. McMahon, Jr. president; Mr. C. Phillip McWane, Assistant to the president; Mr. Lee A. Nolen, executive vice president, all from headquarters in Birmingham, Ala.

Also honoring Bushnell at the plant is Charles A. Matlock, vice president and general manager for Atlantic States Cast Iron Pipe Company in Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

A former studentbody president at Millard High School, Bushnell helped his father start Bushnell Real Estate before leaving for college on a State Farmer scholarship.

He graduated from Brigham Young University in 1947 with a B.A. degree in economics. He

tary to the dean of engineering at the time.

They have three children, Bruce 31, Ned 27, Pamela 20, and five grandchildren.

Bushnell came to Pacific States Cast Iron Pipe Company in 1949 as an industrial engineer. In 1954 he worked as a purchasing agent and was appointed assistant general manager in 1962. He has been vice president and general manager for the past 17 years.

While heading the Provo operation, Bushnell purchased Waterworks Equipment Company in Salt Lake City for Pacific States. He presided as vice president and general manager of that company from 1971 to 1981. It is the largest distributing company for the intermountain area and has expanded to include offices and warehouses in Idaho and Arizona.

He is a former member of the board of directors for McWane Incorporated.

Other distinguished roles for Bushnell include membership in the American Waterworks Association, membership in the Ductile Pipe Research Association, former member of the board of directors for Utah Manufacturers Association, president of Utah Manufacturers Association (1975) and he is a current member of the board of directors of the Utah Industrial Relations Council.

In addition, Bushnell is a former member of the Advisory Board for

America, he is a former member of the board for the BYU Alumni Association, he is a lifetime Golden Cougar Club member, and former vice president and director of United Way. Through the years, Bushnell has received many honors for community and professional service. He received the Utah Manufacturer's Business Man of the Year Award in 1982. In 1969 BYU gave him its distinguished Alumni Award and he was convocation speaker at graduation. He is listed in Who's Who in the West and in 1982 received for Pacific States a special award by BYU President Jeffery Holland for business and industry service to the university.

A member of the Karl G. Mae-

ser Associates at BYU, he received the Provo Rotary Club Service Above Self Award in 1961.

He served in the United States Air Force during World War II.

Bushnell is currently serving as a stake president for the BYU First Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

His hobbies include travel. He has been to Mexico, Canada, Europe, Syria, Jordan, Turkey, Greece and Israel. He also enjoys working with youth, reading, golf and grand-parenting. In retirement, he is slated to teach part-time at BYU classes in industrial management this fall.

He has been a special instructor in the BYU college of business for 11 years.



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## Judge to Decide Whether To Move Arthur Bishop Trial

SALT LAKE CITY (UPI) — Arthur Gary Bishop, accused of murdering five young Utah boys, cannot get a fair trial in Salt Lake County because of extensive news coverage of the case, his attorneys say.

media coverage," court documents say.

They also said there is "vociferous public sentiment against the defendant, heightened and fueled by prejudicial publicity about Mr. Bishop and his family."

Bishop's younger brother, Doug-

he had not seen the defense motions.

The request for the closed hearing was made because Bishop "believes that a fair trial would not be available to him if these motions were open to the public."

"There has already been extensive coverage of the alleged crime and further news coverage of

Parks Council Boy Scouts of Utah National In the community, Bushnell has served as a member of the executive board of the Utah National Pollution Control Committee. chairman of the Utah County Air the Governor's Legislative Committee, current member of the Governor's Judicial Advisory search, Inc., former member of board of directors for Eyring Research, founding member of the directors for Mountain Bell-Den-current member of the board of advisors for Utah Mountain Bell, member of the board of



Stanford University in 1949. After 17 years heading Provo's Pacific States operation, Bushnell says he appreciates contributions by people in industry. "People make the difference. Whether it's a newspaper, a manufacturing company or a restaurant, they all have the same tools and equipment. I have had the fortune and happy experience to work with unusually good and competent people." He is married to the former Lucille Booth whom he met at Stanford in 1947. She was secre-